



Online Catholic School

Reaching and teaching more Catholic students.



- ☐ Do your Catholic schools have declining enrollments?
- ☐ Are more parents choosing home schooling in your diocese?
- ☐ Are your parents forced to choose between public school or home school when their child goes to middle or high school?
- ☐ Do gifted students in your Catholic schools face limitations in their learning because you do not have enough students or teachers to meet their learning needs?
- ☐ Are you facing FTE staffing challenges?
- ☐ Do parents send their children to public high school because your middle or high school lacks the enrollments to support more academic programs?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you are not alone. Professional Learning Board can help your diocese address these challenges through an online Catholic school.

This proven model and system developed by K-12 educators and online learning experts brings your Catholic school system into the "virtual school" world while recognizing that you and your staff are already experts in successfully operating Catholic schools and teaching children.

The Online Catholic School from Professional Learning Board compliments your knowledge with our expertise in modern internet technology, effective instructional practices for teaching and learning online and a plan to bring your staff and students together in a safe and effective online learning environment.

Teaching Online

Whether your teachers are computer-challenged or tech savvy, PLB has developed an online Instruction program to empower them with technological and pedagogical skills that teach students effectively in an online school environment.

- Consistent training
- Customizable for local standards and goals
- Mac & PC compatible
- Cost-effective
- Easy to implement

Teachers never leave the classroom to learn in the Online Instruction Lab™.

Technology

The virtual school is available in two models:

- Hosted
Let us handle the web site hosting for you.
- On-site at Diocese
Pre-loaded hardware ready for installation.

The Diocese will be able to successfully deliver Catholic school education online to more students.

Increasing enrollments and services in Catholic Schools

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Launch your own (no worries, we'll help you) online virtual Catholic school with up to 10 of your teachers trained to create 10 online classes in their subject areas within 10 weeks for only \$10,000. We call it the PLB **All for 10 & 10 for All™** virtual school jump-start program™ to:

- ☐ Keep students in Catholic schools after elementary school.
- ☐ Serve small rural communities
- ☐ Increase enrollments.
- ☐ Use your current staff.
- ☐ Offer more courses.
- ☐ Keep schools open.

We are K-12 educators and online learning experts who have developed a model to bring your school system into the "virtual school" world. At PLB we recognize that you and your staff already are experts in operating Catholic schools and teaching children successfully. ***We can create an online school, host it for the first year and empower your teachers to turn their classes into online courses and teach online.***

Introduction to Technology for Teachers™

This interactive course introduces teachers to technology tools with one goal in mind: increasing teacher comfort level in using the Internet and today's technology tools for teaching and learning. Teachers will learn new ways of using tools they are familiar with and be exposed to brand-new tools and applications for use both in professional development and with students.

Accommodating All Learners™

In this research-based course, strategies, resources and tools for teaching and reaching all students whether online or in the classroom are shared. Teachers engage with content while gaining insight into both their learning and teaching preferences as well as the learning styles of their students.

Using Your Moodle I: Creating an Online Classroom™

This course gives teachers the foundational understanding needed to build their first (or fourth) Moodle-based class. Teachers will understand the basic Moodle classroom tools and some of the advanced options needed to build an interactive online course.

Web Technology for Teachers™

Teachers learn how to use exciting web-based tools to enhance their instruction and transform their classroom into a true 21st Century learning environment. Teachers explore tools such as blogs, wikis, and social bookmarking (to name just a few) in a quest to understand how the internet is changing the lives of students and teachers alike. At the end of the course teachers will be able to use these tools in their classroom.



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